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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1, Piedmont Municipal Power Agency, City of Concord, NC, City of Kings Mountain, NC v. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Notice of Complaint

Take notice that on January 7, 2016, pursuant to Sections 206, 306, and 309 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 USC 824e, 825e, and 825h (2012), and Rules 206 and 212 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.206 and 385.212 (2015), North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1, Piedmont Municipal Power Agency, the City of Concord, North Carolina, and the City of Kings Mountain, North Carolina (Complainants) filed a formal complaint against Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DEC – Respondent) alleging that the 10.2% base return on common equity currently used to calculate DEC's annual transmission revenue requirement pursuant to Attachment H of the Joint Open Access Transmission Tariff of DEC, Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, LLC is unjust and unreasonable.

Complainants certify that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts for DEC as listed on the Commission's list of Corporate Officials as well as the North

Carolina Utilities Commission and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. The Respondent's answer and all interventions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. The Respondent's answer, motions to intervene, and protests must be served on the Complainants.

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Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on January 27, 2016.

Dated: January 8, 2016.

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Deputy Secretary.
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